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“Operation Scarecrow II” Recap

Statewide surveillance by 50 officers nets six arrests and 24 violations

Carson City, NV~On the evening of October 31st, Tier Level II and III sex offenders in Reno, Carson City, Fallon, Elko, Battle Mountain, Ely, Pahrump and Las Vegas were notified by Department of Public Safety officers from the Parole and Probation and the Investigation Divisions to not answer the door or participate in any Halloween activities involving children. Officers were also deployed to local parks and churches where Halloween events were in progress and where offenders may congregate.

As a result, the following recap provides arrest and violation information on the statewide operation:

“Operation Scarecrow II” Statewide Data

Total number of home contacts: 151

Total time of surveillance: 820 minutes

Minor violations: 24

Examples: Decorations on the house, Alcohol containers in the residence, lying to officer; family/friends stating offender not a residence when in fact he was.

Arrests

6

Las Vegas arrests: Charles Crane

age 52 Arrested for parole violation~handing out candy.

Daniel McIntyre

age 49 Arrested for parole violation~handing out candy.

William Bowling

age 30 Arrested as absconder, ran from officers.

Myron Cox

age 40 Registered sex offender, not under DPS supervision, but in failure status with the Sex Offender Registry.

Reno arrests: Tony Benjamin

age 32 Arrested for probation violation~handing out candy.

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Gordon Russell

age 40 Arrested for parole violation, using meth

Nevada Parole and Probation, a Division of the Department of Public Safety, provides supervision to 17,474 offenders statewide and 480 Tier Level II and 25 Tier Level III sex offenders in the state. The Division also conducts pre-sentence investigations for Nevada District Courts on all felony and gross misdemeanor convictions.

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